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Applicant(s): Todd)
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Dear Sir:

The Applicant respectfully provides this response to the Office action of January 15, 2004:

Pending Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.